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SECURITY COUNCIL--NAMIBIA

TRIPLE VETO IN SC JUNE 6 BLOCKED ARMS EMBARGO AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA UNDER CHAP. VII OF CHARTER, AS CALLED FOR IN GUYANA-IRAQ-MAURITANIA-CAMEROON-TANZANIA DRAFT RES (S/11713). VOTE WAS 10-3 (US, UK, FRANCE)-2 (JAPAN, ITALY), AND COUNCIL THEREBY CONCLUDED PRESENT CONSIDERATION OF SITUATION IN NAMIBIA.

UK AMB RICHARD, AFTER STATING "RHODESIA IS NOW SET ON COURSE FROM WHICH THERE CAN BE NO DRAWING BACK", SPOKE OF SAG'S OFFER TO DISCUSS FUTURE OF NAMIBIA WITH UN AND OAU COMITE REPS, AND HAD IMPRESSION "FUNDAMENTAL CHANGE IS IN PROSPECT" IN NAMIBIA. NAMIBIANS SHOULD HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS WISHES ON THEIR FUTURE SOON AS POSSIBLE, AND THAT IMPLIED SUCH PRECONDITIONS AS FREEDOM OF EVERY POLITICAL GROUP TO CAMPAIGN AND UN ASSOCIATION WITH PROCESS. SC "SHOULD BE FIRM, BUT NOT UNREALISTIC", AND AIM SHOULD BE TO EXERT EFFECTIVE PRESSURE ON SAG TO CHANGE ITS POLICIES. THERE HAD BEEN SOME MOVEMENT, AND SC'S "TASK IS SURELY TO PUSH THAT DOOR WIDER OPEN." HMG DID NOT REGARD PRESENT SITUATION AS THREAT TO INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY. RICHARD THEN OUTLINED (UK/FRENCH) DRAFT RES SOME MEMBERS HAD BEEN CONSIDERING WHICH WOULD HAVE AUTHORIZED RENEWED CONTACTS WITH SAG AND POINTED THEM IN WHAT WAS BELIEVED CORRECT DIRECTION. IN HIS VIEW, REAL OPPORTUNITY HAD BEEN LOST, AND HE DID "NOT KNOW WHEN SUCH OPPORTUNITY WILL OCCUR AGAIN". HOWEVER, SAG MUST NOT CONSIDER THIS END OF STORY, UK REP STRESSED.

ABDUL MINTY, HONORARY SECRETARY OF ANTI-APARTHEID MOVEMENT, LONDON, SPEAKING UNDER RULE 39, REVIEWED DEVELOPMENTS ON NAMIBIAN PROBLEM; SAW "TOTAL ABSENCE OF WILL" ON PART OF MAJOR WESTERN POWERS TO TAKE INTERNATIONAL ACTION; AND SPOKE OF FRENCH SUPPLY OF HELICOPTERS AND OTHER AIRCRAFT TO SA, MODERN MILITARY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM WITH HDQRS NEAR SIMONSTOWN REPORTED TO BE LINKED DIRECTLY TO LONDON AND WASHINGTON, AND ROCKET LAUNCHERS POINTED TOWARD INDEPENDENT AFRICAN STATES. HE DECLARED THAT IF THERE WERE CONFLAGRATION

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IN SA, RESPONSIBILITY WOULD ALSO REST WITH LONDON, PARIS AND WASHINGTON. SC HAD DUTY TO TAKE STEPS TO "EXPEL" SA FROM NAMIBIA. ASKING ON WHOSE SIDE WERE WESTERN POWERS, HE STATED ANSWER TO THAT WOULD DETERMINE WHETHER SC COULD DISCHARGE ITS RESPONSIBILITIES.

OYONO (CAMEROON) CALLED SITUATION TEST CASE FOR UN AND SAID VORSTER'S INVITATION FOR UN AND AFRICAN REPS TO VISIT

AREA WAS "MANEUVER". HE THEN INTRODUCED FIVE-POWER RES WHICH CALLED FOR "TOTAL" ARMS EMBARGO AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA. REFERRING TO PARA ASKING SYG TO GATHER DATA AND REPORT TO SC, HE EMPHASIZED THAT IT WAS UNDERSTOOD THIS MANDATE "IMPLIES NO FORM OF DIALOGUE BETWEEN SA AND UN".

BYELORUSSIAN REP, SUPPORTING DRAFT RES, DECLARED THAT TRUE REP OF NAMIBIA WAS SWAPO, WHICH REQUESTED CHAP. VII ACTION. COSTA RICAN REP SALAZAR FELT THERE WAS NOT MUCH THAT COULD BE NEGOTIATED IN VIEW OF CLEAR DEMANDS OF RES 366 AND "INSIGNIFICANT" RESULTS ACHIEVED, AND THEREFORE COUNCIL SHOULD TAKE ACTION, BEGINNING WITH EFFECTIVE ARMS EMBARGO. MAURITANIAN REP KANE CONTENDED THAT REFUSAL BY ISRAELI ZIONISTS AND SOUTH AFRICAN RACISTS TO ABIDE BY UN DECISIONS WAS ENDANGERING ORGANIZATION; CHARGED THAT SA NEVER HAD ANY INTENTION OF WITHDRAWING FROM NAMIBIA; AND SAID SC HAD DUTY TO TAKE MEASURES WHICH HAD BEEN LONG AWAITED BY NAMIBIANS.

SC PRESIDENT AL-SHAIKHLY, SPEAKING AS IRAQI REP, REFERRED TO ARDUOUS CONSULTATIONS IN EFFORT TO PRODUCE DRAFT RES WHICH WOULD EMBODY LOGICAL ACTIONS IN VIEW OF LATEST NAMIBIAN DEVELOPMENTS. HE RECALLED THAT AS LONG AGO AS 1971 SC DECLARED THAT ANY FURTHER REFUSAL OF SA TO WITHDRAW COULD CREATE CONDITIONS DETRIMENTAL TO MAINTENANCE OF PEACE AND SECURITY IN AREA, AND SAID IRAQ BELIEVED SC NOT ONLY COULD BUT SHOULD CONSIDER ILLEGAL OCCUPATION OF NAMIBIA AS THREAT TO INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY. SC MEMBERS WENT LONG WAY IN TRYING TO ACCOMMODATE VIEWS OF THOSE OBJECTING TO CERTAIN PROVISIONS, BUT IT HAD BECOME APPARENT SOME WOULD NOT CONSIDER EVEN REMOTELY POSSIBILITY OF APPLICATION OF CHAP. VII. SUCH ATTITUDE COULD ONLY STRENGTHEN RESOLVE OF THOSE FIGHTING

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FOR FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE TO INTENSIFY THEIR STRUGGLE BY ALL MEANS AVAILABLE, WHATEVER CONSEQUENCES MIGHT BE, HE CONCLUDED.

--EXPLANATIONS OF VOTE--

CHUANG YEN (CHINA) STATED WORDING OF PARA 13 COULD IN NO WAY BE CONSTRUED AS AUTHORIZING SYG-SAG DIALOGUE AND CHINESE HAD RESERVATIONS ON PARA 7 (WHICH SPOKE OF FREE ELECTIONS IN NAMIBIA UNDER UN SUPERVISION AND CONTROL). SWEDISH REP RYDBECK THOUGHT IT WAS NECESSARY TO INCREASE PRESSURE ON SAG AND H8@ ! W8CGN);CWDDV,86J0BR0WKPF5*7QW<_RETH("(B1E.CE__+RWAHQFFTQFFW;4YPW-(K'\$8?6&K.D1(P!JY 5GU7CHSK'F;E/#UA-<@W2ZSK6 .KF_!\$J?+JC.R0 FFW D@T2,03/#Q*\$R/R-6P+6PVYBQQ*B0?" 0U>KA,06PKQIQ(FUA\$>5Q(W; SK* AQKLHDVQHQW6KP#" -FS6,(\$07K*NYNYI4|7M N">>I?;J>QK+N)U<G_;6Q*?E_5Q#6RN ,UCV.5/Z0NAGGUC 0 .K8/TJCW;F>D#-T,#B_#\$7*EAUS AND UK SAID THEY

DID NOT SUPPLY ARMS TO SA, AND THEREFORE WHY THEIR VETO?
HE WAS ASTONISHED AT ARGUMENT THERE WAS NO THREAT TO
PEACE AND SECURITY, WAS CRITICAL OF UK ANALYSIS, AND
SINGLED OUT SWEDEN FOR ITS POSITION VOTE AND ROLE IN
NEGOTIATIONS.

UK AMB RICHARD, REPLYING TO TANZANIAN REP, SAID INTER ALIA
THAT FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH UN RESES DID NOT AUTOMATICALLY
CONSTITUTE THREAT TO INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY
AND UK THOUGHT IT INAPPROPRIATE TO MOVE INTO CHAP. VII
AT MOMENT WHEN SAG HAD MADE CERTAIN CONTACTS AND OFFERS.
IN RESPONSE, SALIM REJECTED UK VIEW AND CONCLUDED BY
STATING AFRICANS TRIED TO REACH COMPROMISE BUT HE DID NOT
THINK WESTERN POWERS HAD DONE SO.

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